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Sir:

Enclosed for filing is an informal application for patent as above identified, comprising a specification, claims, abstract, and drawings.

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Drive Device For A Machine With A Traction

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5. Drawings:

4 drawing sheets containing Figs. 1-4

6. Claims:

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Please accept the application for purposes of granting a filing date pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.53(b) and recognize William H. Logsdon, Lester N. Fortney, and Blynn L. Shideler, Registration Nos. 22,132; 38,141; and 35,034, respectively, as attorneys in this application, pending the filing of a formal Declaration and Power of Attorney and payment of the filing fee. 37 C.F.R. §1.53(f).

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